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Improving Eye Care for Persons with Diabetes Mellitus - Michigan

Since 1984, the Michigan Department of Public Health Diabetes Control Program (MDCP) has conducted a statewide project to prevent vision loss by improving detection and treatment of diabetic retinopathy. Guidelines stressing the importance of routine annual examinations by ophthalmologists have been developed and widely distributed among physicians, patient educators, and persons with diabetes mellitus (1). Patient and provider surveys to determine eye care and referral practices have also been conducted to provide a baseline for assessing the impact of the project.

A mail survey of practicing ophthalmologists was conducted between August and October 1984 to describe ophthalmologist utilization patterns for diabetic and nondiabetic persons. The survey obtained information from ophthalmologists and their patients over a 5-day period. Ophthalmologists were identified from the membership roster of the Michigan Ophthalmological Society (MOS) and were selected from urban and rural regions of the state.

Questionnaire; were sent to 51 general ophthalmologists and 21 retinal specialists; the response rates were 49% and 29%, respectively. Completed questionnaires were obtained from 12% of practicing general ophthalmologists and 27% of the practicing retinal specialists who were members of the MOS.

Of the 3,923 patients who visited the responding ophthalmologists during the 5-day survey periods, the MDCP obtained data on 3,325 (85%). Approximately 10% and 17% of the patients examined by the general ophthalmologists and retinal specialists, respectively, had diabetes.

In the general ophthalmologists' practices, 14% of diabetic patients were visiting for the first time, and in the retinal specialists' practices, 19%. Similarly, 20% and 25% of nondiabetic persons were having initial eye examinations by the general ophthalmologists or retinal specialists.

Individuals receiving their initial ophthalmologic examinations were asked to identify the person who recommended the visit. Diabetic individuals reported that the most important stimulus was their physician (Table 1); the second most important professional person was their optometrist. The most important source of nonprofessional encouragement for the diabetic individuals was self-referral, which accounted for 18% of initial visits to general ophthalmologists and 8% of initial visits to retinal specialists. Collectively, relatives and friends stimulated 30% of referrals to general ophthalmologists and approximately 20% of referrals to retinal specialists.

To allow evaluation of the impact of the 1984 Diabetic Retinopathy Guidelines, a survey was conducted during May 1985 to document baseline referral patterns for eye care for persons with diabetes. The survey was sent to members of the Michigan Organization of Diabetes Educators (MODE), the principal professional organization for diabetes educators in

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Michigan. Each MODE member actively involved in patient education was asked to complete a questionnaire and have up to seven patients also complete a questionnaire before beginning instruction.

Seventy (31%) of the 228 MODE members and 202 diabetes patients completed the survey. The patient educators who responded included 52 registered nurses, 15 registered dietitians, and four other health professionals. MODE's members include 142 registered nurses, 42 registered dietitians, and 38 other health professionals (six unknown).

Responses from the diabetes educators determined that 80% always or almost always recommended that their diabetic patients have routine eye examinations. Sixty-one percent of these educators recommended an eye examination by an ophthalmologist at least every 12 months. Among the 29% of educators who had already read Michigan's guidelines, 80% indicated their practices were in accord with the guidelines, compared to 54% for those who had not read the guidelines.

Seventy-five percent of the registered nurses made patient-referral recommendations consistent with the state's recommendations, compared to 17% of the other health professionals. For example, three of the 11 registered dietitians who indicated they advised their patients regarding eye care provided recommendations equivalent to those in the guidelines.

According to the guidelines, 177 (88%) of the 202 diabetic respondents should have received an eye examination through dilated pupils by an ophthalmologist during the previous 12 months. Only 76 (43%) received such care.

When asked about professional advice provided by physicians, nurses, or health educators, 81 (46%) of the 177 diabetic individuals reported they were told to have their eyes examined at least annually, and 71 (40%) were told to go to an ophthalmologist. Only 46 (26%) of 177 were told the complete recommendations in Michigan's guidelines. Diabetic individuals who received advice consistent with the guidelines were twice as likely to have visited an ophthalmologist during the past year as those who had not received such advice (67%, compared with 34%).

Self-reported "eye problems" seemed to influence the decision of a diabetic person to have an ophthalmologic exam, but these conditions did not appear to influence whether a diabetic person followed the guidelines. Among patients who were not advised about the guidelines, 44% of those with self-reported eye problems visited ophthalmologists within the past

TABLE 1. Sources of recommendation for initial ophthalmologic examination of diabetic and nondiabetic persons — Michigan, 1984

	Ge	neral oph	thalmolo	Retinal specialists				
Source of	Diat	etic	Nondi	abetic	Diab	etic	Nondiabetic	
recommendation*	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)
Physician	15	(45)	95	(22)	12	(50)	26	(38)
Optometrist	2	(6)	46	(10)	2	(8)	11	(16)
Other health-care								
professionals	0	(O)	20	(5)	2	(8)	4	(6)
Self	6	(18)	93	(21)	2	(8)	4	(6)
Relative	5	(15)	81	(18)	3	(13)	14	(20)
Friend	5	(15)	81	(18)	2	(8)	10	(14)
Other nonhealth-care								
personnel	0	(O)	14	(3)	1	(4)	1	(1)
Not stated	1	(3)	13	(3)	0	(O)	1	(1)
Total	33	(100)	439	(100)	24	(100)	69	(100)

^{*}The categories may sum to more than the total because several respondents named more than one source.

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12 months, compared to 25% of those without problems. Among individuals who were advised, 70% of those with eye problems and 63% of those without eye problems reported visiting an ophthalmologist within the past 12 months.

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Editorial Note: Diabetic retinopathy accounts for at least 10% of new cases of legal blindness in the United States each year and is the leading cause of new cases of legal blindness in adults aged 20-74 years (2). Proliferative diabetic retinopathy, the most severe form, is generally asymptomatic in its most treatable stages. In a university setting, 52% of internists and 33% of diabetologists missed the diagnosis of proliferative retinopathy, while fewer than 10% of ophthalmologists missed this diagnosis (3). A recent study, however, found that 37% of persons with earlier onset and 50% of persons with later onset of diabetes had not received an ophthalmological exam within the past 2 years (4).

In Michigan, public health officials are working to improve the level of diabetic care. They have developed referral guidelines for the detection of diabetic retinopathy, and they are disseminating these guidelines to physicians, diabetes educators, and other primary health-care providers. In addition, they are using media coverage to inform diabetic persons of the need for annual ophthalmologic examinations.

Surveys conducted in Michigan have attempted to document the current referral practices of providers and the care-seeking behavior of diabetic individuals and suggest that considerable improvements should be made in ophthalmologic utilization, patient and professional education, and patient-referral recommendations. Because these surveys had low response rates, caution must be used when making inferences from these findings. Additional information was not available to address the issue of selection bias. Subsequent surveys will be designed to improve response rates and collect information on nonrespondents.

Survey information from Michigan, thus far, is encouraging. For example, appropriate changes in patient behavior are occurring. Patients who did not report eye problems but who received recommendations consistent with Michigan's guidelines were much more likely to visit ophthalmologists than patients with eye problems who did not receive the guidelines. Further evaluation will be necessary to determine the impact of Michigan's Diabetic Retinopathy Guidelines. It will be necessary to document changes in retinopathy referral patterns and care-seeking behavior of the diabetic individual.

In an effort to prevent blindness associated with diabetic eye disease, CDC continues to support retinopathy projects in Georgia, Michigan, and Mississippi and is initiating eye-care projects for diabetic persons in the following states: Colorado, Florida, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, and West Virginia. The program provides for examination of diabetic persons at high risk for retinopathy. These include persons who have noninsulin-dependent diabetes mellitus or postpubertal individuals with insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus of 5 or more years duration. Participants will also be examined for glaucoma, cataracts, and impaired visual acuity and for hypertension that can be associated with the development of retinopathy. Patients identified with treatable conditions will be assured access to care, and all participants will be referred for annual eye examinations. Those requesting further information should contact the state health departments in the states listed above or the Division of Diabetes Control, Center for Prevention Services, CDC.

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Human Rabies Diagnosed 2 Months Postmortem — Texas

The first case of human rabies reported in the United States in 1985 was diagnosed July 16, 1985, by an Abilene, Texas, pathologist who noted encephalitis suggestive of rabies on reviewing sections of the brain of a patient who had died May 20. The patient, a 19-year-old Mexican national, had lived in Texas after arriving in the United States approximately 1½ months before the onset of his illness. He had no known history of exposure to rabies.

The patient was in good health until May 2 or 3, when he developed nausea, vomiting, and shortness of breath. On the morning of May 5, he was seen at the emergency room of an Abilene hospital. Temperature, pulse, and blood pressure were normal. Physical examination and a chest roentgenogram did not reveal abnormalities, and the patient was discharged from the emergency room.

Shortly after midnight on May 6, he returned to the emergency room because of intensification of breathing difficulties, persistent nausea and vomiting, and fever of 40.6 C (105 F). His blood pressure fluctuated between 215/140 and 80/0. He was coherent enough to answer questions in Spanish; however, because he spoke no English, no detailed history of his activities for the past several months was obtained. Tetanus and rabies were considered,

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TABLE I. Summary—cases of specified notifiable diseases, United States

		4	6th Week End	ing	Cumulatin	re, 46th Week I	Ending
Disease		Nov. 16, 1985	Nov. 17, 1984	Mechan 1980-1984	Nov. 16, 1985	Nov. 17, 1984	Median 1980-1984
Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS)		121	89	N	7.016	3.732	N
Aseptic men	ingitis	224	195	195	9,153	7,273	8,550
Encephalitis	Primary (arthropod-borne						
	& unspec)	27	18	37	1,135	1,061	1,377
	Post-infectious				107	103	81
Garnerhai:	Covitan	14,639	16.982	17.601	745,765	745,193	849,153
	Military	301	328	331	16,222	18.958	23,482
Heparitis:	Type A	415	439	540	20.097	18,984	20.274
1	Type 8	525	493	480	23,111	22,900	19,225
	Non A. Non B	61	65	74	3.600	3,352	PN PN
	Unspecified	75	104	195	5,078	4.526	7,660
Legionellosi	1	15	8	84	579	610	N
Legrosy		14	5	3	321	200	200
Malaria		28	19	20	903	894	951
Measies: To	stat*	1	4	25	2.601	2,443	2,443
	digenous	1	3	PN .	2,167	2.153	N
	noortesi		1	Pé	434	290	N
	cal infections: Total	28	55	55	2,080	2,377	2,410
and and a second	Civilian	28	55	55	2.076	2.373	2.395
	Military	-			4	4	14
Mumps		25	48	75	2.574	2,613	3,981
Pertussis		59	28	29	2,889	2.097	1.556
	man measles)	4	13	17	585	683	1,919
	mary & Secondary): Cryslan	370	499	594	22 601	24.698	27.393
e ibine a tr	Military	1	2	4	127	263	338
Toxic Shock		5	7	N	313	422	N
Tuberculose		342	327	459	18,778	18,726	22,502
Tutaremia		6	2	3	151	268	250
Typhoid fev	er .	14	14	6	330	336	409
	r. tick-borne (RMSF)	7	7	5	669	808	1.078
Ratives, anun		86	94	94	4,726	4,847	5.618

TABLE II. Notifiable diseases of low frequency. United States

	Cum 1985		Cum 1985
Anthrax		Leptospirosis (Mich 2)	33
Botulism: Foodtome	43	Plague (Colo. 1)	33 16
Infant	A3 58	Poliomyelitis: Total	5
Other	1	Paralytic	5
Brucellosis (Mo. 1, Ga. 1)	121	Psittacosis (Mich. 4)	98
Cholera	3	Rabies, human	1
Congenital rubella syndrome		Tetanus (Va. 1, Calif. 1)	64
Congenital syphilis, ages < 1 year	149	Trichinosis	54
Diphthena	1	Typhus fever, flee-borne (endemic, murine) (Calif. 1)	64 54 22

^{*}There were no cases of internationally imported measles reported for this week.

TABLE III. Cases of specified notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending November 16, 1985 and November 17, 1984 (46th Week)

		Aseptic	Ences	rhalitis	Geno	ubas	16	epatitis (V	iral), by ty	pe	Laninant	
Reporting Area	AIDS	Menin- gitis	Primary	Post-in- fectious	(Civi	Kani	A	В	NA,NB	Unspeci- Fied	Legionel- losis	Lepros
	Cum. 1985	1985	Cum. 1985	Cum. 1985	Cum. Cum. 1985 1984	1985	1985	1985	1985	1985	Cum 1985	
UNITED STATES	7.016	224	1,135	107	745,765	745,193	415	525	61	75	15	321
NEW ENGLAND	235	26	31		20.147	20,210	13	42	8	11	1	7
Maine N.H.	11		7	*	1,028	884	*	2	*		*	
Vt.	2		'		295	657 337	1				-	
Mass.	138	9	18		8.362	8,606		17	8	8	1	7
R.I. Conn.	12	2		-	1.625	1,449	2	7	*			
Conn.	69	15	6	*	8,331	8.277	10	16		3		
MID ATLANTIC	2.744	61	142	11	113,108	99,894	22	55	8	3		35
Upstate N.Y.	298	26	45	4	15.932	16,077	6	20	4	1	*	
N.Y. City N.J.	1,890	21	16 28	-	54,766	38,632	1	**		1		30
Fa.	160	12	53	7	17,200 25,210	17,846 27,339	6	16	2 2	1	-	
								-				
EN CENTRAL	301 51	25	335 139	20	104,069	104,553	18	32	3	3	4	21
ind	24	1	65	2	28,642 11,240	27,942 11,332	7	14	-		4	1
100	150	9	53	8	24.346	22,832	1	3				1
Mich.	54	8	58		29.894	30,729	10	13	3	3		
Wis.	22		20	6	9,947	11,718		*	-	*		
W.N. CENTRAL	98	9	71	4	36,961	36.944	11	17		1	4	
Minn.	34	1	34	1	5,462	5.513	2				1	
lowa	10	5	26		3,966	4.028	-	3	-	-	1	
Mo	40	3	-		17,869	17,719	1	11		1	1	
N Dak S Dak	1		*	1	707	344 868	7	1		*	*	
Nebr.	3		5		3.168	2.752		,			1	
Kans	9		6	2	5.540	5.720	1	2		*		
S ATLANTIC	1.075	58	133	42	165,035	188,701	40	139		8		
Del	1,075	4	133	42	3,919	3.548	1	139	11	1	5	
Md	120	5	28	1	25.749	21,393		29			1	
D.C.	156	-			14,073	13,394		3		-		
Va.	90	10	27	6	17,127	17,871	10	8	3	1	2	
W. Va. N.C.	6 57	3 4	37 27	1	2,329 32,669	2,397	5	12	2	1	2	
SC	25	6	6		19.523	19.281	1	15				
Ga.	164	2	-	*	-	34,995	3	25	2	4		
Fla.	447	24	-	34	49,646	45,387	20	45	6	5	*	
E.S. CENTRAL	63	7	37	4	67 875	67,291	3	22	2	3	1	
Ky.	15	7	17	*	7,803	8.010	1	3	-	1		
Tenn.	16	-	6	-	26,024	27,282	1	3		1		
Ala. Miss.	25		11	4	20,371	20,528	1	10	1	1	1	
	,			-	13,677	11,471		6	1	,	-	
W.S. CENTRAL	511	12	136	2	99,423	100,823	52	32	8	18	-	2
Ark La	80	3	6	1	9,426	9,307	3	1		-		
Data.	15	3	24	1	11,080	22,041	5	4	2			
Tex.	409	9	97		59,970	58,356	44	27	6	18		1
MOUNTAIN			40									
Mount Am	131	10	40	6	24.643 716	24.480 937	59	38	7	5		
idaho	1	1		-	837	1,169	5	3				
Wyo			1	-	577	658	-	-	-			
Colo	45	1	6	2	7,156	7,008	7	3		3		
N Mex.	12	5	17	-	2.787	2.964	1	2	-			
Utah	50 13	2	10	4	1,199	6.769 1.168	35	19	6	2	*	
Nev	9	1	3		4.000	3.807	7	5	-			
PACIFIC	1.858	16	210	18	114,504	102,297	197	148	14	23		25
Wash	1,858	10	13	18	8,786	7.928	197	140	14	23		21
Oreg.	29		1		5.739	5.915	60	21	3	1		
Calif.	1,701	15	158	17	95,681	84,216	120	127	10	22		15
Ataska Hawaii	18	1	38		2,771 1,527	2,511	17	-	1	-		
Guam	1	U	-		156	213	U	U	U	U	U	
P.R. V.I.	86	U	6	2	2,732 369	2,980 472	U	U	U	U	U	
	4				146	412	Ü	Ü	Ú	U	U	

TABLE III. (Cont'd.) Cases of specified notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending November 16, 1985 and November 17, 1984 (46th Week)

			Meas	ies (Rut	sectal)		Menin- gococcal	Mur	nos		Pertu	min			Rubella	
Reporting Area	Malaria	Indig	enous	Impo	rted *	Total	Infections			-	_	_			0	Cum.
ago to g Airi	Cum. 1985	1985	Cum. 1985	1985	Cum. 1985	Cum. 1984	Cum. 1985	1985	Cum. 1985	1985	19i		Com. 1984	1985	1985	1984
UNITED STATES	903	1	2.167		434	2,443	2.080	25	2,574	59	2.8	89	2.097	4	585	683
NEW ENGLAND	52		38		88	106	98		58	2		99	70		12	18
Maine	4		-	-	1	36	14		10			07	17		2	1
NH. Vt.	4			-		7	10	-	3			3	23	*		
Mass.	25	-	34		84	49			17			22	18		6	16
RL	6				3	14	17 36		15	2		11	ā		a	
Conn.	12		4		3	14	30		,							223
MID ATLANTIC	141		193	*	38	162	366	2	300			07	181		226	99
Upstate N.Y.	49		72	*	13	109		2	161	1		27	8		185	103
N.Y. City N.J.	53 15		67		10	7			46			11	13	*	9	20
Pa.	24		37		3	5			63	5		85	58		14	1
			400		90	697	363	8	904	11		345	483		33	100
E.N. CENTRAL	59		436	-	54			8	273	8	1 1	109	75			2
Ind.	4		55		2	3	47		37	,	- 1	47	229		16	5 63
10L	21	*	286		10				310			47	30		15	22
Mich. Wis.	17		37 58		23				84		1 2	254	122		1	8
		*										221	124	1	20	39
W.N. CENTRAL	31		2		10				78			113	16		20	4
Minn. Iowa	14				6	-	- 10	2	10	3	2	30	13		1	1
Mo.	5		1		2		4 41		14	£ ;	2	30	20	1	8	3
N. Dak.	2				2		- 5	-	4	E.	-	9	9		2	3
S. Dek.	1	-					- 3			3		8	12	-		
Nebr. Kans.	1 6		. 1				5 11		4		-	28	54	-	7	31
								2	25		5	376	210		55	27
S. ATLANTIC	103		279		30) 6	6 397	2	23	1		2	2	+	1	2
Md.	25		104	1 -		2	2 55	-	3	3	1	156	61	-	6	1
D.C.	8		. 5		1	1	8 7				-	19	19		2	
Va.	20				3	2	5 48	2	7			4	11		9	
W. Va. N.C.	2		3				1 54		. 1		1	32	34		1	
S.C.	,				. :	3	1 34		. 1		*	2	17		3	
Go.	5			8 .		8 2	2 69		2		3	93	64		25	
Fla.	30		9			0 4										
E.S. CENTRAL	1	1				7	6 91	1	3	0	5	63	14			3 12
Ky.						5	1 9 35	1		8		25	7			
Tenn.			-			1	3 26			1	2	23	1			- 3
Miss.		1				1	- 21		-	3	3	7	4			- 3
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W.S. CENTRAL			- 42	1		5 50	8 18		1	7	-	14	22	2 .		1 3
La.		1	- 4				8 25			2	1	17		8		1
Oklis.		5	*			4 5	8 32 41 102		6 21	N BO	10	159	5			
Tex.	7	3	- 37	9	. 1											
MOUNTAIN	5	0	- 49				45 92			30	5	207	12			5 2
Mont.			- 12			8	23 5		-	11	-	7		7		1
Wyo.		3	- 12	5	. 1		23 6			2				6	*)	
Colo.	1	5		6		7	6 23			24	2	85			-	2
N. Mex.	1	4		1	-		88 10		N 1	N 13	2	13				1
Ariz.	1	1	- 23	37		4	1 22		- 1	6	1	53	1	7		-
Nev.		2	-				- 1			65	2		-	2	-	1
							40 00		5 4	30	4	431	57	0	1 19	12 18
PACIFIC West		74	1 30	90			40 39 54 6			35	187	75	31	6	. 1	4
Oreg.		23		4		1	- 3	5	N	N	4	49	3		1	2
Calif		19	1 1	89	- (60 3	23 27)	5 3	67	*	260	14	1	- 12	1 18
Alaska		2	*	18	*	5 1	63 1	9		19	*	17		5	- 4	12
Hewaii		17		16	-	3 1										
Guarn		1			U	1	90		U .	5	U	12	2		U :	2 1
P.R.		*	U	67	U	6	137 1	3	U 1	46	U	2.4		1		
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For messles only, imported cases includes both out-of-state and international importations.

TABLE III. (Cont'd.) Cases of specified notifiable diseases, United States, weeks ending November 16, 1985 and November 17, 1984 (46th Week)

Reporting Area	Syphilis (Primary & 1	(Civilian) Secondary)	Toxic- shock Syndrome	Tuber	culosis	Tula- remia	Typhoid Fever	Typhus Fever (Tick-borne) (RMSF)	Rabies, Animal
	Cum. 1985	Cum. 1984	1985	Cum. 1985	Cum. 1984	Cum. 1985	Cum. 1985	Cum. 1985	Cum. 1985
UNITED STATES	22,601	24,698	5	18.778	18,726	151	330	669	4.726
NEW ENGLAND	525	467	2	649	565	4	13		20
Maine N.H.	13 36	9		41	28	-	13	8	20
Vt.	5	14	2	20	26		-	1	1
Mass.	261	296		384	314	4			1
R.I. Conn.	15	19	1	50	45	*	10	6	11
Conn.	195	158	1	146	145		3		7
MID ATLANTIC	3,193	3 290		3.358	0.000				,
Upstate N.Y.	238	292		586	3,396 528	2	49	34	555
N.Y. City N.J.	1,929	1.964		1,637	1.385	1	13 25	9 5	130
Pa.	620 406	581		453	756	i	10	4	39
	406	433		682	727		1	16	386
E.N. CENTRAL	886	1.169	1	2,298	2,431	3	40		
Ohio Irul	134	212	1	397	438	3	11	43 27	169
Mag.	74	125	-	291	292	-	3	5	28
Mich	400 219	429	-	990	1.007	2	16	9	38
Wis.	59	69		491	548	-	8	2	25
W. M. OF 1177				129	146	1	2	*	55
W.N. CENTRAL	211	327	-	522	575	46	13	42	847
lowa	42	84	-	112	100	1	6	**	163
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ev.	54	18		17	35	3	1	-	4
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reg.	92	102	-	119	137	1	5	-	4
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Paterson, N.J. Priladeiphia, Pa. Prittsburgh, Pa.† Reading, Pa. Rochester, N.Y. Schenectady, N.Y. Scranton, Pa.† Syracuse, N.Y.	74	25	22	14	6	7	6	Austin, Tex.	53	30	7	10	5	1	9
Philadelphia, Pa. Pittsburgh, Pa.† Radding, Pa. Rochester, N.Y. Schenectady, N.Y. Scranton, Pa.† Syracuse, N.Y.	32	23	4	4	-	1	1	Baton Rouge, La.	39	22	9	6	1	1	
Pittsburgh, Pa.† Reading, Pe. Rochester, N.Y. Schenectady, N.Y. Scranton, Pa.† Syracuse, N.Y.	300	192	65	18	4	21	20	Corpus Christi, Tex		17	15	4	1	1	
Reading, Pa. Rochester, N.Y. Schenectady, N.Y. Screnton, Pa.† Syracuse, N.Y.	78	48	23	4	1	2	5	Dollas, Tex.	171	100	38	19	6	8	
Rochester, N.Y. Schenectady, N.Y. Scranton, Pa.† Syracuse, N.Y.	35	27	5	1	2		5	El Paso, Tex.	49	33	7	3	3	3	
Schenectady, N.Y. Scranton, Pa.† Syracuse, N.Y.	109	73	27	5	1	3	6	Fort Worth, Tex	77	4.7	14	5	4	7	
Scranton, Pa.† Syracuse, N.Y.	31	26	1	1	2	1	3	Houston, Tex. §	346	311	2	7	17	9	
Syracuse, N.Y.	26	17	8	-	-	1	3	Little Rock, Ark.	56	26	17	6	2	5	
	85	62	16	1	3	3	1	New Orleans, La.	122	71	25	14	6	6	
	31	22	8	1		-		San Antonio, Tex.	147	88	38	13	4	4	1
Utica, N.Y.	30	23	7		-	-	1	Shreveport, La.	38	29	5	2	2		
Yonkers, N.Y.	27	19	6	2	*		3	Tulsa, Okla.	90	65	15	8	1	1	
	2.329	1,634	412	129	59	94	83	MOUNTAIN	597	361	140	49	22	25	3
Akron, Otvo	83	52	27			4	2	Albuquerque, N.Me		43	14	11	4	1	
Canton Otio	26	23	2		1		3	Colo. Springs, Colo	36	25	8	1	1	- 1	
	553	462	11	26	16	37	16	Denver, Colo.	107	57	29	9	6	6	- 1
	106	71	20	10	3	2	7	Las Vegas, Nev.	100	55	30	12	2	1	
Cleveland, Ohio	157	94	45	7	4	7	1	Ogden, Utah	22	1.7	2	2	-	1	
Columbus, Ohio	174	121	32	11	4	6		Phoenix, Ariz.	120	70	29	7	3	11	
Dayton, Ohio	107	67	34	4	1	1	2	Pueblo, Colo.	23	15	5	1	2.		
	263	154	63	24	11	11	6	Salt Lake City, Utah		21	8	3	2	2	
Evansville, Ind.	49	36	9	3	*	1	2	Tucson, Ariz.	80	58	15	3	2	2	
Fort Wayne, Ind.	51	31	13	3		4	3			7 700					
Gary, Ind	31	15	6	7	3	-		PACIFIC	1.733	1.157	332	140	52	46	11
Grand Pupids, Mich	69	53	10	3	1	2	8	Berkeley, Calif.	18	10	5	2		1	
ndianapolis, ind.	147	98	35	6	3	5	1	Fresno, Calif.	63	39	13	6	2	3	
Madison, Wis.	41	26	7	4	3	1	2	Glendale, Calif.	15	10	3	2	-		
Mineaukee, Wis.	138	93	34	3	2	6	12	Honoluki, Hawaii	68	43	12	6	2	5	
Peoria, W.	48	34	11	2	-	1	8	Long Beach, Calif.	92	62	21	4	3	2	1
Nackford, III.	38	24	11	2	1		1	Los Angeles, Calif.	452	286	96	48	10	6	1
South Bend, Ind.	66	46	13	4	1	2	3	Dakland, Calif.	61	38	12	6	3	2	
Inledo, Ohio	109	77	16	7	5	4	4	Pesadena Calif.	23	19	3	1			
Youngstown, Ohio	73	5.7	13	3			2	Portland, Oreg.	109	78	16		4	2	
ALM CENTRAL	682	400	140	22	16		90	Sacramento, Calif.	141	103	27	7	3	1	
W.N. CENTRAL	50	486	140	22	15	18		San Diego, Calif.	148	95	31	12	9	1	
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Duluth, Minn.		21	5	1	i	2		San Jose, Calif.	137	83	24		4	11	
Kansas City, Kans	108	27	31	5		0		Seattle, Wash.	157	113	25	9	5	5 2	
Kansas City, Mo.	33	69	8	1	1	6		Spokane, Wash.	57	46	10	î	1	1	
Lincoln, Netu.	67	41	16		5		3	Tacoma, Wash.	47	34	10	1		1	
Minneapolis, Minn.				3		2	-	70744	11000	0.242	1 000	cor	847	-	p
Ormania, Netri	133	64	16	3	1	3		TOTAL	11,642	8.242	1,968	695	317	412	5
St. Lows, Me.			27	3	3	1	3								
St. Paul, Minn. Wichite, Kans.	64	53	14	2	1	1	3								

^{*}Mortelity date in this table are voluntarily reported from 121 cities in the United States, most of which have populations of 100,000 or more. A death is reported by the place of its occurrence and by the week that the death certificate was filled. Fetal deaths are not included. *

*Because of changes in reporting methods in these 3 Pennsylvania cities, these numbers are pertial counts for the current week. Complete counts will be aveilable in 4 to 6 weeks.

*Effortal includes unknown ages.

*Date not aveilable. Figures are estimates based on average of past 4 weeks.

TABLE V. Years of potential life lost, deaths, and death rates, by cause of death, and estimated number of physician contacts, by principal diagnosis, United States

Cause of	Years of potential life lost before		nted mortality ne 1985	Estimated number	
morbidity or mortality (Ninth Revision ICD, 1975)	age 65 by persons dying in 1983°	Number 9	Annual Rate/100,000°§	of physician contacts June 1985*	
ALL CAUSES (TOTAL)	9,170,000	163,390	834.9	107,100,000	
Accidents and adverse effects (E800-E949)	2,219,000	8,140	41.6	6,500,000	
Malignant neoplasms (140-208)	1,808,000	37,180	190.0	1,500,000	
Diseases of heart (390-398, 402, 404-429)	1,559,000	58,960	301.3	5,200,000	
Suicides, homicides (E950-E978)	1,218,000	4,030	20.6	_	
Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis (571)	248,000	2,040	10.4	100,000	
Ceretirovascular diseases (430-438)	226,000	11,900	60.8	700,000	
Congenital anomalies (740-759)	134,000	1,330	6.8	500,000	
Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied conditions					
(490-496) Diabetes mellitus	123,000	5,990	30.6	800,000	
(250)	115,000	2,880	14.7	3,100,000	
Pneumonia and influenza (480-487)	106,000	4,520	23.1	600,000	
Prenatal care*				3,700,000	
Infant mortality**†		3,100	9.6 /1,000	live births	

^{*}For details of calculation, see footnotes for Table V, MMWR1985;34:2.

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but both were ruled out because of a negative history of an injury or animal bite. Admission white blood cell count (WBC) was 25,800/mm³ and hematocrit, 49%. An arterial blood gas sample revealed a metabolic acidosis. Serum potassium was 2.9 meq/l; glucose, 389 mg/dl; lactate, 12.2 meq/l; and serum acetone, negative. Urinalysis showed a trace of protein, mild ketonuria, and 3+ glucose. He was admitted to the hospital's coronary-care unit in acute respiratory distress with a provisional diagnosis of sepsis and rupture of the esophagus, but a cine-esophagram did not confirm the latter diagnosis. A repeat chest roentgenogram examination showed air in the neck and mediastinum and right-lung infiltrates. Aspiration pneumonia was suspected. The patient was intubated for respiratory distress approximately 4 hours

[†]Years of potential life lost for persons between 1 year and 65 years old at the time of death are derived from the number of deaths in each age category as reported by the National Center for Health Statistics, *Monthly Vital Statistics Report* (MVSR), Vol. 32, No. 13, September 21, 1984.

[§]National Center for Health Statistics, Monthly Vital Statistics Report (MVSR), Vol. 34, No. 7, October 21, 1985, pp. 8-9

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^{††}MVSR Vol. 34, No. 6, September 18, 1985, p. 1.

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after admission and was treated with broad-spectrum antibiotics. Blood and stool cultures for bacteria and a blood smear for malaria parasites were negative. A drug screen of serum showed only a positive reaction for acetaminophen.

The patient improved enough by May 8 to have the endotracheal tube removed. However, over the next day, his neurologic condition deteriorated, and he became disoriented and combative. Tremors were noted in his neck. A neurology consultant felt the patient's disorientation was metabolic in origin, but suggested cerebrospinal fluid examination. The initial lumbar puncture, performed May 12, showed 3 red blood cells/mm³ and 14 WBCs/mm³ (86% lymphocytes and 14% neutrophils) and 159 mg/dl of protein. On May 13, the patient suffered respiratory arrest and required reintubation. Over the next 7 days, his course was marked by progressively deepening coma without focal signs. His electroencephalogram showed a slowwave pattern. The patient died May 20, 2 weeks after admission.

Since rabies was not seriously suspected during the patient's illness or at autopsy, microscope examinations of the brain and other tissue specimens were given routine rather than expeditious scheduling. Consequently, microscope examination of the brain was not undertaken until early July, when the pathologist reviewed the sections from the brain. The histologic diagnosis was further supported on July 16 by a Houston neuropathologist. On July 18, formalin-fixed brain tissue preserved from the autopsy was forwarded to CDC for examination. Direct fluorescent-antibody examination gave strongly positive results, and rabies was confirmed.

On July 19, local, regional, and state public health physicians met the members of the medical staff, hospital administrators, and approximately 140 hospital employees who had had contact with the patient. Rabies postexposure prophylaxis was made available to the employees and staff members by the hospital; 85 workers elected to take the treatment. Postexposure treatment was also offered to relatives and friends who could be located; they denied exposure to the patient's saliva or vomitus and chose to receive no treatment. Cost of rabies immune globulin and human diploid cell rabies vaccine was approximately \$29,000.

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Editorial Note: Of the 47 rabies cases diagnosed in the United States (or in American citizens outside the United States) and reported to CDC since 1960, no history of exposure could be ascertained for 13 (28%). A median incubation period of 35 days (range 12-701) was determined for the other 34 cases. In the present case, the absence of a history of a bite or other contact with a possibly rabid animal may have been attributable to memory loss resulting from encephalitis or to miscommunication because of the language barrier. Although the source of exposure is unknown, the patient's 1½-month residency in the United States is compatible with exposure in Texas or Mexico. In the semiarid plains of Texas, skunks are the principal reservoir for rabies, although rabid bats and foxes play an occasional role in the transmission of the infection in that region. In Mexico, dogs account for most reported cases of rabies.

Five (56%) of the nine rabies cases reported to CDC since 1980 occurred among individuals who had recently lived in rabies-endemic areas outside the United States. The last two cases were foreign nationals who developed rabies shortly after arrival in the United States from rabies-endemic areas (1). In both, rabies was diagnosed postmortem. When encephalitis occurs in a person who has lived in an area where rabies is enzootic, the diagnosis should be considered seriously, even in the absence of a history of exposure. Suggestive of rabies in the present case, in addition to encephalitis, were agitation, progressive unexplained dysphagia, and later in the course of illness, fasciculations of the neck.

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Although the prognosis for recovery after onset of clinical illness is bleak, early suspicion of rabies will allow for rapid institution of isolation measures to reduce the number of persons exposed to the patient and eliminate most exposures that might occur in situations such as airway care, provision of oral and dental hygiene, and physical examination of the head and neck (2).

The low risk of rabies transmission to hospital personnel caring for a rabid patient (3) is supported by the absence of rabies cases in hospital contacts of the patient despite a 60- to 78-day delay in instituting postexposure prophylaxis. Postexposure prophylaxis is recommended after contact with a rabid human only if a bite or nonbite exposure (contamination of a mucous membrane or open wound with saliva or other potentially infectious material) occurred (2,4). When only persons known to be exposed are treated, unnecessary postexposure treatments can be discouraged, and substantial savings can result. Consultation with state or federal health officials experienced in evaluating human rabies is recommended.

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Turkey-Associated Salmonellosis at an Elementary School — Georgia

Between May 10, and May 16, 1985, an estimated 351 children and staff at a Georgia elementary school developed febrile gastroenteritis. *Salmonella enteritidis*, sensitive to all antimicrobials tested, was isolated from more than 100 children; 23 were hospitalized; none died. The risk of illness was strongly associated with eating turkey salad with the school lunch on May 10, which was reported by 64 (91%) of 70 ill children and none of 13 well children in a case-control study ($p < 10^{-8}$). Culture of leftover refrigerated turkey salad yielded *S. enteritidis*; quantitative culture yielded 8.8 x 10^5 *Salmonella* per gram of salad. Each child received an estimated 56 grams of salad (5.0 x 10^7 *Salmonella*).

The turkey salad had been prepared by four asymptomatic foodhandlers. Inspection of the kitchen did not reveal foodhandling practices or equipment malfunctions that might have contributed to the outbreak, except that after being cooked and deboned May 9, the turkey was refrigerated overnight in an 8-inch deep pan.

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Editorial Note: In studies of nontyphoidal *Salmonella* with human volunteers, the lowest dose of organisms to cause illness varied from 1.0×10^5 to 4.5×10^7 , but the amount of *Salmonella* ingested in foodborne outbreaks is often lower (1). The observation of a 100% attack rate among children consuming an estimated 5.0×10^7 organisms suggests that the minimum dose required to cause illness is much lower.

Although turkey was reported as the vehicle in only 27 (7%) of 405 foodborne outbreaks of salmonellosis reported through the CDC foodborne surveillance system during 1972-1981, it was the vehicle in seven (23%) of 30 of the Salmonella outbreaks occurring in schools during that time (2). Turkey was the most common vehicle for all bacterial foodborne outbreaks in Georgia schools in 1971, usually after contamination during deboning followed by inadequate refrigeration (3). When a pan more than 4 inches deep is used to refrigerate a large hot mass, the center of the mass can remain above 50 degrees for over 24 hours, allow-

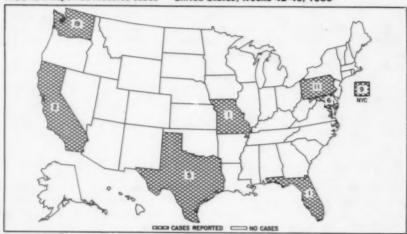
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ing ample growth of contaminating bacteria. Particular attention to adequate cooking and refrigeration during the upcoming holiday season can prevent turkey-associated outbreaks.

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FIGURE I. Reported measles cases — United States, weeks 42-45, 1985



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